

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Clay Aurand at 9:05 A.M. on February 27, 2008 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Judith Loganbill- excused

Committee staff present:

Matt Todd, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Dale Dennis, Kansas State Department of Education
Sharon Wenger, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Janet Henning, Committee Assistant

HB 2885: School districts; cost of living weighting; use of moneys for teachers' salaries.

Chairman Aurand explained this bill would increase the cap for the cost of living weighting for those districts that now receive it. It would not affect every district and currently the cap is at 5% and as the bill is written, it would raise the cap to 8%.

Chairman Aurand moved to amend the bill to set the cap at 6% instead of 8%. Representative Mah seconded the motion. After a discussion among Committee members, the motion carried.

Representative Colloton moved that HB 2885 be passed out favorably as amended. The motion was seconded by Representative Storm. The motion failed. Division was called with 9 members voting 'yes' and 11 members voting 'no'.

HB 2754: School districts; medicaid replacement state aid.

Chairman's effort to have a successful "play nice day" failed miserably so consequently no action was taken on **HB 2754.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 A.M. The next meeting is scheduled for March 6, 2008.